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Whitesides. For example, Braach-Maksvytis, Shashidhar, and Effenberger do not describe, teach, or suggest, independently or in combination with Whitesides, preparing organic molecules having self-assembling properties, applying the organic molecules to an aligning surface, allowing the organic molecules to form an ordered pattern on the aligning surface, contacting the aligning surface having the ordered pattern of organic molecules with the substrate, and separating the aligning surface from the substrate, leaving the ordered pattern of the organic molecules from the aligning surface on the substrate, as provided in independent claims 1 and 23 as amended.

As such, Applicant respectfully submits that each and every element and limitation of independent claims 1 and 23 as amended are not taught or suggested by Braach-Maksvytis and Whitesides, Shashidhar and Whitesides, and Effenberger and Whitesides, either individually or in combination. Accordingly, Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and withdrawal of the 103(a) rejection of dependent claims 11, 15, 22, 17-19, 21, and 29.

Allowable Subject Matter

Applicant thanks the Examiner for identifying that claims 2 and 7 are objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

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CONCLUSION

Applicant respectfully submits that the claims are in condition for allowance and notification to that effect is earnestly requested. The Examiner is invited to telephone Applicants' attorney Tim Myers at (541) 715-4197 to facilitate prosecution of this matter.

At any time during the pendency of this application, please charge any additional fees or credit overpayment to the Deposit Account No. 08-2025.

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